

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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Mr. Mark E. Braden Baker & Hostetler, LLP, Suite 1100 1050 Connecticut Avenue Washington, D.C. 20036

RE: MUR 5742

Dear Mr. Braden:

This is in response to your letter dated June 2, 2006, requesting an extension of 20 days to respond to the Commission's reason to believe findings.

Considering the Office of General Counsel's responsibilities to act expeditiously in the conduct of conciliation negotiations prior to a finding of probable cause, the Office of the General Counsel has not granted your full request, but agrees to a 15-day extension based on the circumstances presented in your letter. Accordingly, the response is due by close of business on June 30, 2006.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Tracey L. Ligon

Attorney